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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES: DELAWARE BOARD OF MENTAL HEALTH AND CHEMICAL

DEPENDENCY PROFESSIONALS

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, January 27, 2016 at 12:00 p.m.

PLACE: Division of Professional Regulation

861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Cannon Building

Second Floor Conference Room A

Dover, Delaware

MINUTES APPROVED: 02/24/2016

MEMBERS PRESENT

Dr. Gregg Drevno, Ph.D., LPCMH, **President**Irvin Bowers, Public Member, **Vice President**James Elder, LCDP, **Secretary**Ruth Banta, Public Member
Daniel Cherneski, LMFT
Daniel Cooper, LPCMH
Sherry Lambertson, Public Member
Dr. Rosemary Madl-Young, Ph.D., LCDP (12:07 p.m. – 1:14 p.m.)
Dr. Julius Mullen, Ed,D., LPCMH
William Northey, Ph.D., LMFT
Elisabeth Vassas, Public Member

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT

Kevin Maloney, Deputy Attorney General Jessica Williams, Administrative Specialist III

ALSO PRESENT

Rene Brathwaite Sharone Brathwaite Debra Hutz R. Eric Hutz Patricia Redmond, Nemours Matthew Turley, DPCA

CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Drevno called the meeting to order at 12:03 p.m.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

MHCDP Meeting Minutes - December 9, 2015

The Board reviewed the December 9, 2015 meeting minutes for approval. Mr. Cherneski moved, seconded by Dr. Mullen, to approve the minutes as written. Motion unanimously carried.

MHCDP Legislative Committee Meeting Minutes - December 9, 2015

The Board reviewed the December 9, 2015 Legislative Committee meeting minutes for approval. Mr. Elder moved, seconded by Mr. Cherneski, to approve the minutes as written. Motion unanimously carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Public Hearing - Proposed Amendments to Board's Rules and Regulations (12:00 p.m.)

At 12:05 p.m., Dr. Drevno called the public hearing to order. Verbatim testimony was recorded electronically. Mr. Maloney stated the purpose of the hearing. The following items were marked as Board Exhibits for the record: Board Exhibit 1 – News Journal publication affidavit, and Board Exhibit 2 – Delaware State News publication affidavit. The board introduced themselves for the record. Dr. Drevno opened the floor for comments. Ms. Redmond inquired if there would be a public comment period for written comments to be submitted to the Board prior to deliberations. Mr. Maloney confirmed that written comments will be accepted until February 11, 2016. The board will deliberate on all public comments during their February 24, 2015 meeting. The board went off the record at 12:08 p.m.

Review and Consider Final Order from Recommendations of Chief Hearing Officer

The Board reviewed the final order resulting from the previous consideration of the Chief Hearing Officer's recommendations regarding Laurie Denham (Case 33-02-15). Mr. Cherneski moved, seconded by Dr. Northey to approve the Order with an amendment, to reflect that the required continuing education hours be completed in a face –to-face format. Motion carried with Mr. Cooper abstaining.

Review Supervisory Report for Helen McCool (Pursuant to Final Order)

The Board reviewed the supervisory report dated December 17, 2015 from Shanon Moyer regarding Helen McCool. Mr. Cooper moved, seconded by Dr. Northey, to accept the supervisory report. Motion unanimously carried.

Final Denial of LPCMH Application for Thomas Craney

Dr. Northey moved, seconded by Dr. Madl-Young, to deny Thomas Craney's LPCMH application, as he does not meet the statutory or regulatory requirements for licensure. Motion unanimously carried.

Review Previously Tabled LACMH Application for Debra Hutz

The Board reviewed the previously tabled LACMH application for Debra Hutz, and the supplemental documentation submitted regarding the application. Dr. Northey moved, seconded by Mr. Cooper, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Review of Applications for LACMH Licensure

The Board reviewed the application for LACMH licensure for Rene Brathwaite. Mr. Cooper moved, seconded by Mr. Mullen, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed the application for LACMH licensure for Emily Evans. Dr. Northey moved, seconded by Mr. Cherneski, to table the application, as it appears to be a deficiency the amount of one to one supervision hours that are required. Motion unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed the application for LACMH licensure for Meghan Hudson. Mr. Cooper moved, seconded by Mr. Elder, to table the application for additional information specifically addressing the compelling clinical reasons as to why she is proposing another licensed professional for her supervisor. Motion unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed the application for LACMH licensure for Michael Jackson. Dr. Mullen moved, seconded by Dr. Madl-Young, to approve the application. Motion carried with Dr. Northey abstaining.

The Board reviewed the application for LACMH licensure for Melissa Tooles. Mr. Cooper moved, seconded by Dr. Mullen, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Applications for LPCMH Licensure by Certification

The Board reviewed the application for LPCMH licensure by certification for Michelle Costello. Mr. Cooper moved, seconded by Mr. Cherneski, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed the application for LPCMH licensure by certification for Michelle Dolcar. Dr. Mullen moved, seconded by Dr. Madl-Young, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed the application for LPCMH licensure by certification for Ronald Tello-Marzol. Mr. Cooper moved, seconded by Dr. Madl-Young, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed the application for LPCMH licensure by certification for Susan Ashmead. Dr. Mullen moved, seconded by Dr. Northey, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Applications for LPCMH Licensure by Reciprocity

The Board reviewed the application for LPCMH licensure by reciprocity for Catrina Stiller. Dr. Northey moved, seconded by Mr. Cherneski, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed the application for LPCMH licensure by reciprocity for Kelly Cunningham. Mr. Cooper moved, seconded by Dr. Northey, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

Review and Consider Change in LACMH Supervision Plan

The Board considered the request to change the LACMH written plan for Carol VonDrunen, to reflect Arkana Smith as the administrative supervisor. Mr. Cherneski moved, seconded by Dr. Madl-Young, to approve the change in administrative supervision. Motion unanimously carried.

The Board considered the request to change the LACMH written plan for Melinda King, to reflect that Dr. Nathan Centers is no longer providing clinical supervision, and that as of January 1, 2016, Linda Oster will be providing clinical supervision. Mr. Cooper moved, seconded by Dr. Madl-Young, to approve the change in clinical supervision. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of LAMFT Application (Licensure Contingent Upon Passing AMFTRB Exam)

The Board reviewed the application for LAMFT licensure for Frieda Wolman. Dr. Northey moved, seconded by Mr. Cherneski, to propose to deny the application as it appears that the applicant's education does not meet the regulatory requirements for licensure. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Post-Renewal Continuing Education Audits

Dr. Northey moved, seconded by Mr. Cherneski, to review the post-renewal continuing education audits after adjournment. Motion unanimously carried.

Election of Officers

Mr. Cherneski moved, seconded by Ms. Banta, to nominate Dr. Drevno to continue to serve as President for a second term. Motion unanimously carried. Dr. Drevno accepted the nomination.

Mr. Cherneski moved, seconded by Ms. Banta, to nominate Mr. Bowers to continue to serve as Vice President for a second term. Motion unanimously carried. Mr. Bowers accepted the nomination.

Mr. Cherneski moved, seconded by Mr. Bowers, to nominate Dr. Madl-Young as Secretary. Motion unanimously carried. Dr. Madl-Young accepted the nomination.

Sign Certificate of Appreciation for Dr. Tracey Frazier, Psy.D., LCDP

The Board members affixed their signatures to the certificate of appreciation for Dr. Frazier.

Correspondence

2016 State Licensure Board Meeting

Ms. Williams advised the Board that 2016 State Licensure Board meeting will be helf May 24 – 26, 2016 in Reston, VA. The Center for Credentialing and Education will be covering the travel costs if the Board wishes to send a member to represent the Delaware Board. Mr. Cherneski moved, seconded by Mr. Elder, to have Mr. Cooper represent the Board. Motion unanimously carried.

Other Business before the Board (for discussion only)

Ms. Williams advised the Board that she has been testifying in Rule to Show Cause hearings for licensees who were selected for the post-renewal audit, and have been found deficient. The hearing officer suggested that the Board consider clarifying the regulations addressing the make-up of disallowed hours; as it is not explicit as to what the Board considers disallowed hours or deficient hours. This item will be on the February agenda for the Board to discuss.

Public Comment

Mr. Turley from the Delaware Professional Counselor's Association identified himself and will provide feedback from the meeting to the Association's members.

Next Meeting Date

The Board's next meeting is scheduled for February 24, 2016, at 12:00 p.m., in Conference Room A, of the Cannon Bldg., 861 Silver Lake Blvd., Dover, Delaware.

Adjournment

Mr. Cherneski made a motion, seconded by Ms. Banta, to adjourn. Motion unanimously carried. There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 1:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica M. Williams

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Administrative Specialist III